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REPORT No. 339.

ROBERT JONES, OF KENTUCKY.

APRIL 17, 1858.

Mr. Jewett, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom were referred the petition and papers of Robert Jones, of Kentucky, report:

That they have examined the same, and find that his claim to a pension is founded on the fact that he was a private in Captain Warner Elmore's company, 9th regiment, Kentucky mounted volunteers, commanded by Colonel Simrall, during the war of 1812; that he enlisted in August, 1813, for three months; that whilst in the line of his duty as a soldier he was compelled to wade Lake Erie, which was covered with ice; that owing to said exposure he contracted a disease from which he now suffers, and which renders him unable to obtain a living. The petitioner was discharged at Maysville, Kentucky, on the 13th November, 1813. The point where he was discharged is nearly three hundred miles from the place where it is alleged he waded the lake. There is no evidence submitted to show that Lake Erie is frozen so early in the year as the first part of November. The Third Auditor of the Treasury, who has the custody of the muster rolls upon which appears the name of the applicant, says that they "furnish us no evidence of disability incurred whilst in the service."

The committee are unanimous in the opinion that the prayer of the petitioner should be rejected.

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